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SEGUIN UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES RELEASED FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Workforce Solutions Alamo releases September and October Labor Market Information

(November 22, 2013) San Antonio, Texas – Workforce Solutions Alamo released information today indicating that the Seguin unemployment rate decreased to 5.4 percent in September, figures were delayed due to the government shutdown. The unemployment rate decreased to 4.9 in October.

The Seguin October unemployment rate registered lower than the overall jobless rate of 5.8 percent for the 12-county Workforce Solutions Alamo area, which includes Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina and Wilson counties. Gillespie County registered the lowest unemployment rate in October amongst the counties at 3.7 percent, while Atascosa County registered the highest rate at 6.1 percent.

When the Workforce Solutions Alamo metro area is compared to the state and nation, the Texas unadjusted (actual) unemployment rate reported at 6.3 percent in September and decreased to 6.0 percent in October. The nation's unadjusted (actual) unemployment reported at 7.0 percent in September, and remained unchanged in October. Comparatively, the state and nation release seasonally adjusted unemployment rates with Texas reporting a 6.2 percent jobless rate for October and the nation reporting a 7.3 percent jobless rate for October.

The mission of Workforce Solutions Alamo is to build a premier workforce in America by providing employers and residents with the opportunities, resources and services to develop and gain a competitive edge in the global economy. Workforce Solutions Alamo reaches over 40,000 businesses and more than 2.0 million residents in the City of San Antonio and the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Guadalupe, Gillespie, Karnes, Kerr, Kendall, Medina and Wilson counties. For more information on available workforce programs and services, visit our website at www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org.

Note: Only the actual/unadjusted series unemployment rate estimates for Texas and the US are comparable to sub-state unemployment rates, taking into account seasonal changes. Adjusted rates are calculated by smoothing out the changes in unemployment due to the typical seasonal hiring's and layoffs.

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